

PROGRESSIVE HENDERSON.

A GREAT INDUSTRIAL GALA DAY THERE.

Opening and Formal Dedication of Burgwyn's Factory to Industrial Enterprise—A Rich and Brilliant Programme—Eloquent and Patriotic Speeches—By Representative Men—A Description of the Factory—And Interesting Sketches of its Promoters and Managers.

(Editorial Correspondence.)

HENDERSON, N. C., March 12, 1890.—This is a great day in the manufacturing history of Henderson. It also marks a new departure in North Carolina. We are usually too prosaic in our State. When a man finishes a great factory, he usually turns on the steam as if it were no unusual occurrence, and has no ceremony to mark the occasion as a notable one. And, unheeded and unsung, he goes on his enterprising and laborious way, leaving people to find out the great enterprise of which he is the head as best they may.

I believe in a man's or a town's counting for all that is possible for it to count. I hate a boaster or a braggart, but I like to see a man have enough self assertiveness to demand what is due to him.

It is a novel thing in North Carolina to open a tobacco factory with oratory. I remember to have read, when I was quite a boy, with great interest an account of the dedication of a cotton factory in Randolph county by the late Rev. Dr. CRAVEN. It was a novel ceremony but a most impressive one. The formal opening here to-day of the tobacco factory of W. H. S. BURGWIN & Co. is an event worthy of more than a passing notice. It marks the fact that we are paying greater attention to the material interests of the State, and elevating the labor of the hands. There has been too much, disguised and undisguised, hatred of labor among us. It has often kept away brainy young men who would have helped develop the resources of the State. Honor to labor! Let that be the motto of the Progressive North Carolina of to-day. Let us elevate it! Let us celebrate everywhere, the inauguration of any plan that will give increased employment and better pay to the honest men and women of our State. Let us, everywhere, give substantial evidences of our regard for those who toil with their hands, and of our appreciation of their incalculable value to the community!

I rejoice that COL. BURGWIN and his company have made so notable an inauguration of their new factory. I look to see it grow to the largest proportions, bring wealth to its owners, good pay to its employees, and add to the wonderful prosperity of this good town.

We need in North Carolina a higher appreciation of material things. Too long we have despised or neglected them and have seen other States pass us by in the outward march. We have been too free to sneer at Yankee ways and Yankee notions. For one, I say let us bury sectionalism, and old and unprofitable ways and turn our faces to the morning. We may grow the best tobacco and we may make cotton of the finest staple in the world, but if we allow others to manufacture it we will forever be "hewers of wood and drawers of water."

The people of Henderson appreciate this truth and it controls their actions. They are going forward on all material lines. The factory, the completion of which we celebrate to-day, will be an object lesson. It will stimulate other capitalists to build factories, and the day is not far distant when Henderson will number its factories by the dozen and its employees by the thousand. I pray for the hastening of that day! The people here have in their mammoth warehouses and factories shown that they are going to make this a great manufacturing town, and to-day's celebration is an important step toward the goal of their high purpose.

The people of Henderson regard this as a great gala day. They are out in full force and are here from all parts of this section. The programme was attractive and most pleasing to the audience. The exercises were held in the factory, which was admirably suited for the purpose.

The whole State will be interested to know that this emphasis of material progress in Henderson was a great success, and the CHRONICLE is glad to tell them of it. The following was the programme:

Prayer, by Rev. Julian E. Ingle.
Introductory remarks, by T. T. Hicks, Esq., Mayor.

Response, by Hon. John Robinson, Designer of Agriculture.

Song and Chorus: "Spring is Come," by Factory Operatives.

Address on the part of the Home Land, by T. R. Manning, Editor Gold Leaf, and A. Hatchett, Editor Tomahawk.
Tenor Solo: "God Bless the Dear Old Home," by Whit Williamson.

Address by Visiting Editors. Capt. A. B. Daily News and Observer,

and Chorus: "Carry Me Back to Olden Time," by Factory Operatives.
Address, by Robert Haydn, Esq., Charlotte Chronicle.

Bass Solo: "Old Black Joe," by Howard Woolridge.

Address, by Josephus Daniels, DAILY STATE CHRONICLE, Raleigh.

Song and Chorus: "Moonlight on the Lake," by Factory Operatives.

Address, by W. R. Henry, Esq., Henderson, N. C.

Bass Solo: "King Over Land and Sea," by Howard Woolridge.

Song and Chorus: "The Golden Gates," by Factory Operatives.

Address by Hon. G. W. Sanderlin, State Auditor.

Tenor Solo: "Good Bye Sweetheart," by Joe Fountain.

Glee: "Merrily Voices," by Factory Operatives.

Address by Prof. Joe R. Chamberlain, of the State Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Bass Solo: "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep," by Howard Woolridge.

Interesting addresses by Prof. Massey and Hon. F. M. Simmons.

Chorus: "Going Back to Dixie," by Factory Operatives.

Special seats were reserved for ladies and their escorts.

It will be seen from this programme that there were features of unique interest, comprehending chorus singing of sweet and melodious old plantation songs by the colored employees of the factory. These were happily interjected between the speeches, which were excellent and, in some instances, of happy and irresistible humor.

COL. BURGWIN, in response to a call, spoke very eloquently and forcibly, intensifying and increasing the progressive spirit which was already prevalent.

Telegrams were read from a number of prominent citizens of the State, conveying congratulations and good wishes, and expressing regret at not being able to be present. Among these were messages from Mr. J. S. CARR, SENATOR VANCE, GOVERNOR FOWLE, LIEUT.-GOV. THOS. M. HOLT, CONGRESSMAN BURN and Mr. P. M. WILSON, State Immigration Agent.

The following is a

DESCRIPTION OF THE BUILDING.

The factory, which is built with a view to future additions when the business demands larger accommodations, is of brick, most substantially built, has 5 floors and is fifty by one hundred and forty-five feet in size. The first story which is partly underground and surrounded by a walled area contains three plug drying rooms, a cooling room and one large room fifty by one hundred feet as a rolling and prize room. These rooms are fitted up with the latest improved machinery and everything is perfectly new.

Only the best known and most reliable manufacturers of plug tobacco machinery were applied to and such names as W. H. Tappet, of Petersburg, Va., John H. McGowan and Co., Cincinnati, Ohio; Cardwell & Co., Richmond; Crew & Westbrook, of Danville; Talbott & Sons, Richmond, and Morse & Williams, of Philadelphia, are guarantees that the best of its kind has been purchased. Each floor is heated by steam, and on each floor separate pipe connects with the steam pump so that in case of fire the floor can be flooded with water.

The second story contains three leaf drying rooms, a casing room, a packing room and in front a shipping room and two offices. The third, fourth and fifth floor are used for storing the leaf.

A separate building, 100 feet from the factory, has been erected as a box factory, where the many sized boxes used for packing the tobaccos are manufactured. A wire cable from a shaft in the factory runs the machinery in the box factory. A 50 horse power boiler and an engine of Talbott & Son's make give ample power for the establishment.

Special attention is observed in the handling of the tobacco through its various processes, so as to secure cleanliness. None but the best sweetenings are used, and the floors are kept scrupulously clean.

Situated in the centre of the bright tobacco belt section of North Carolina, where the best wrappers and cutters in all the world can be obtained, Henderson is still near enough to the cherry red and nutmeg colored tobacco producing counties of this State and Virginia to get all the stock one needs to manufacture the highest grades of tobaccos, which it will be the aim of the firm to manufacture.

Particular care is observed in packing the tobacco in the boxes. These latter are made of the best material, nicely gotten up and marked with attractive brands and labels, and all the finer grades have lithographed tags of tin, in a square form, and of attractive design, put upon the plugs. The firm's TRADE MARK, which is the family's COAT OF ARMS, will appear on all packages, without which none will be genuine.

COL. WM. H. S. BURGWIN, Head of the Firm.

Col. Burgwin is in his fortieth year. His paternal grandfather came over to America from England about the middle of the last century, and established himself at The Hermitage, on the Cape Fear river, near Wilmington, where he possessed extensive landed estates. His grandmother was the daughter of Jonathan Edwards, the eminent Theologian of New England, and president of Princeton College. On his mother's side his ancestors came to Massachusetts among

its first settlers, and thus, in his veins commingles the blood of the cavalier of the South, with the Puritan of the North.

At nine years of age he was sent to school, near Baltimore, Md.; thence to Mr. James H. Horner, Oxford, N. C., and to Georgetown College, D. C. And in 1860 we find him a member of the Freshman class at Chapel Hill.

At the breaking out of the war he left the University to join the army. In the summer of 1861 he was appointed Drill Master to Col. J. Johnstone Pettigrew's regiment. In the fall of 1869 he was made Adjutant of the Camp of Instruction at Mangum, near Raleigh—subsequently elected First Lieutenant of Company H, 35 N. C. (Matt. W. Ramsey's) regiment. He became Captain of the company after the Maryland campaign of 1862, in which his regiment participated. He served in this capacity until the winter of 1863-4, when he was tendered and accepted the position of Assistant Adjutant General on the staff of Gen. Thos. L. Clingman. Wounded at Cold Harbor June 1st, 1864, and again wounded and taken prisoner at the storming of Fort Harrison, below Richmond, September 30, 1864, he remained in prison at Fort Delaware until paroled just at the close of the war.

He then returned to the University and graduated in 1868 with the first honors in the class that numbered the late Col. Eugene Morehead, Hon. Fab. H. Busbee, A. W. Graham, I. Strayhorn, Drs. Geo. Thomas and Geo. W. Graham as members, and delivered the Latin Salutary address.

He then went to Harvard University and after graduating as a lawyer from that institution, he located in the city of Baltimore, where he remained practicing his profession until 1882, when he returned to North Carolina. In 1875, after taking the regular course of study, he received his diploma as Doctor of Medicine from the Washington Medical University of Baltimore City. In 1878

he compiled and published a Digest of the Reports of the Court of Appeals of Maryland, which he sold for over five thousand dollars cash. During the railroad riots in the city of Baltimore, in 1877, he volunteered his services to the Governor and was appointed Lieut. Colonel of one of the two Regiments called into service during that period, and subsequently was elected Colonel of the famous 5th Regiment of Maryland National Guards.

Returning to North Carolina in 1882 he located at Henderson, Vance county, and established The Bank of Henderson, which he has successfully conducted since.

Col. Burgwin has ever taken the greatest interest in matters that concern the welfare of his State, and has been especially active in all movements tending to benefit the condition of the farmers. He was among the first to advocate the calling of a convention of the farmers of the State to memorialize the Legislature to establish an agricultural college. He was appointed and went as a delegate to the Inter-State convention of farmers, that met in Atlanta in 1887 and at Montgomery in 1888, and has freely contributed to the press articles advocating the cause of agriculture.

Realizing that North Carolina, from her geographical situation and possession of the raw material in her borders, is exceptionally well adapted to manufacturing, last summer, he determined upon building a tobacco factory in his town, that would not only offer a market for the tobacco raised in and around his county, but would at the same time give profitable occupation to many needy and deserving people out of employment, and stimulate others to establish similar industries. He has just completed one of the largest and best equipped plug tobacco factories in the State, which under the management of the skilled and energetic officers in charge, is destined to become one of the well known industries of the State and of the South.



CHARLES C. BUTLER, General Superintendent.

The above named gentleman was born in Richmond, Va., Sept. 24th, 1857, and has been for the past twenty years actively engaged in the manufacture of tobacco.

During this time, he has filled important positions with the largest manufacturers in Virginia and North Carolina. Starting a mere boy with the old firm of W. J. Yarbrough & Sons, of Richmond,

Va., he worked his way to the position of manager.

Receiving a very flattering offer, he came to North Carolina, to accept the position of General Manager with Messrs. A. H. Motley & Co., of Reidville, N. C.

Mr. Butler, at the solicitation of Messrs Wm H. S. Burgwin & Co., becomes the General Superintendent of their large factory, where his experience coupled with his well known energy will be seen in the future success of the firm of Wm. H. S. Burgwin & Co.



WM. H. HARDGROVE, Chief Salesman.

Mr. Hardgrove was born in Richmond, Va., June 21st, 1855. He is a son of Wm. H. Hardgrove, Esq., and grandson of Thomas Hardgrove, senior member of the late firm of T. & S. Hardgrove, of Richmond, Va., who during their lifetime were the largest tobacco manufacturers in the South.

Mr. Hardgrove has been engaged in the manufacture of tobacco in Richmond, Va., Montreal, Canada, and in North Carolina, and thoroughly under-

stands every feature of the business.

Since 1887 he has been representing some of the largest tobacco manufacturers in North Carolina, as traveling salesman.

At the solicitation of Col. Wm. H. S. Burgwin he has connected himself with the firm of Wm. H. S. Burgwin & Co., Henderson, N. C., and will introduce their tobaccos. His practical experience as a manufacturer; extensive acquaintance and knowledge of the trade, will tend largely to the success of the firm.

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FIRST TRACT—Lying on Panther Branch, in Panther Branch Township, containing 119 acres, being the land conveyed to T. L. Banks and Herselia Banks by Susan A. Banks, by deed recorded in book 40, page 256, in office of the Register of Deeds for Wake county.

SECOND TRACT—Adjoining the lands of Susan A. Banks, T. L. Banks, G. A. Turner, W. G. Banks and others, in — Township, containing 125 acres, more or less.

THIRD TRACT—In — Township, adjoining the lands of T. L. Banks and others, containing about 17 1/2 acres, being the land conveyed to said T. L. Banks by Alfred Rowland, by deed recorded in book 64, page 509, in Register's office for Wake county.

FOURTH TRACT—In — Township, containing about 10 acres, being the land conveyed to said T. L. Banks by Susan A. Banks, by deed recorded in book 40, page 538, Register of Deeds' office for Wake county.

FIFTH TRACT—Adjoining the lands of said T. L. Banks, Thos. A. Crowder and J. H. Jones, on the Fayetteville road, being the same conveyed to said T. L. Banks by G. A. Turner, by deed recorded in book 40, page 205, in the Register's office for Wake county.

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